(b) the other steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation has been Implementing Centrally sponsored urban poverty alleviation programme called "Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY)" with effect from 1.12.1997 on all India basis. The scheme will continue to be implemented during the Tenth Five Year Plan.

News-item "Delhi A Dirty City"

3631. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Capital mess: Delhi, dirty city", which appeared in the Times of India, dated the 31st March, 2002;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to address the problems raised in the news-item?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The MCD, NDMC and Delhi Cantonment Board have informed that all efforts are being made to keep the Delhi clean and to bring it at par with the world class cities. MCD has further informed that to achieve this it proposes to create awareness amongst public for not throwing garbage on the streets, involving the Residents Welfare Associations in Solid Waste Management, establishment of sanitation Task Force in each Zone of MCD for immediate redressal of grievance in respect of garbage removal and enforcement of Law.

Target of land acquisition by DDA

†3632. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DDA is considering to extend the target of land acquisition;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any action in this regard;

(c) if so, the target of land acquisition and the amount allocated for this; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (d) DDA has reported that they are trying to increase the pace of land acquisition through the Land Acquisition Collector/L&B Department, Government of NCT of Delhi. It is expected to acquire about 2000 acres of land during this year. It had sent proposals to the L&B Department, Government of NCT of Delhi for acquisition of land. The cost of acquisition of land would be made available to Land Acquisition Collector/L&B Department as and when demanded.

Shifting of jhuggi dwellers between Mandakini and Aravali Apartments

3633. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question 2355 given in the Rajya Sabha on 11th December, 2000 and state:

(a) whether inspite of the assurance no efforts have been made to allot land to Jhuggi cluster till date;

(b) whether the squatters of Alknanda Camp are now encroaching the pavements and spreading on the main road giving a very ugly look to the posh and educational area;

(c) whether no public utility services *viz.* CGHS, post office, barat ghar, community centre are available to the residents of huge DDA apartments; and

(d) if so, by when the jhuggi dwellers between Mandakini and Aravali Apartments will be shifted to make the place hygienic for residents and educational institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) DDA has reported that the relocation of jhuggies from Alaknanda Camp is in its priority. The survey of JJ cluster, Alaknanda Camp has been started for relocation purpose.

(b) Yes, Sir.